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TO AMEMBASSY ROME PRIORITY

INFO AMCONSUL CASABLANCA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ASEC

SUBJECT: PROTECTIVE VEHICLES - ROME

SY CHANNEL, ROME FOR RSO; CASABLANCA FOR OIC/RTC;  
FRANKFURT FOR OIC/RTC, RSS; FROM SY/OPS/T, SY/OPS/FO

REF: (A) ROME 10347, (B) MILAN 0864 (NOTAL)

1. COM VEHICLE PRESENTLY IN ROME IS OPR/ST - FURNISHED  
1974 CHRYSLER NEWPORT SEDAN WHICH HAS 3/16 INCH ALUMINUM  
PANELS (2024-T3) IN DOORS AND BEHIND SEATS, LEXAN MR-  
4000 PANELS INSIDE REAR AND SIDE WINDOWS, STANDARD WIND-  
SHIELD.

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2. ABOVE ARMORING PROVIDES FOLLOWING PROTECTION:

- (1) SINGLE 9MM PROJECTILE THRU SIDE OR REAR WINDOWS
- (2) MULTIPLE 9MM PROJECTILES THRU DOORS, SEATS
- (3) NO PROTECTION THRU WINDSHIELD

3. AMEMBASSY ROME IS SCHEDULED TO RECEIVE SY-CONTROLLED

1977 CHRYSLER WHICH IS PRESENTLY AT CONTRACTOR BEING  
CUSTOM-ARMORED FOR PROTECTION AGAINST UP TO 30 CALIBER  
PROJECTILES. THIS VEHICLE WILL AVE FULL 30 CALIBER

MULTIPLE HIT PROTECT-ON THROUGH ALL WINDOWS INCLUDING  
WINDSHIELD AND THRU ALL OPAQUE AREAS, WITH EXCEPTION  
OF ROOF WHICH WILL PROTECT ONLY AGAINST UP TO 9MM  
PROJECTILES.

4. PRESENT ETA ROME OF 1977 CHRYSLER IS LATE SEPT  
1978. WILL ADVISE WHEN FIRMER DATE BECOMES AVAIL-  
ABLE.

5. SY/OPS/FO IS POUCHING MOTION PICTURE FILM "WHEN ALL  
ELSE FAILS" TO RSO. THIS FILM EXPLAINS CURRENT STATE  
OF VEHICLE ARMORING MATERIALS AND TECHNIQUES IN USE BY  
DEPT, WITH EXCEPTION THAT FILM SHOWS USE OF MYLAR MATERIAL  
ON SIDE WINDOWS, A TECHNIQUE WHICH SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION  
HAS PROVEN IMPRACTICAL AND NOT APPROVED BY DEPT. RSO HAS  
BEEN ADVISED IN EARLIER CONVERSATIONS RE MYLAR LIMITATIONS.

6. SY/OPS/FO SUGGESTS RSO USE FILM TO EXPLAIN ARMORING  
CAPABILITIES/LIMITATIONS AT ALL POSTS. REQUEST RETURN  
FILM TO SY/OPS/FO SOONEST, AS FILM IS NEEDED FOR  
OTHER TRAINING CYCLES. VANCE

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